

**Funding Programs for Underground Storage Tanks (USTs)**  
**California State Water Resources Control Board**

	Removing, Replacing, or Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks (RUST) Grant	Removing, Replacing, or Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks (RUST) Loan	UST Cleanup Fund (USTCF)	Orphan Site Cleanup Fund (OSCF)	Emergency, Abandoned and Recalcitrant (EAR) Account	Site Cleanup Subaccount Program (SCAP)	Proposition 1 (Prop 1) Groundwater Sustainability Program
<b>Purpose</b>	Petroleum UST removal, replacement and/or upgrade	Petroleum UST removal, replacement and/or upgrade	Petroleum UST site assessment and cleanup	Petroleum UST site assessment and cleanup <i>Note: May include UST removal</i>	Petroleum UST site assessment and cleanup <i>Note: May include UST removal</i>	Cleanup of groundwater or surface waters impacted by human-made contaminants	Protection and cleanup of groundwater previously or currently used as drinking water
<b>Funding Type</b>	Grants	Loans Terms of 10 or 20 years, at ½ the State’s most recent general obligation bond rate	Grants (Reimbursement)	Grants (Reimbursement)	Cost Recovery <i>Note: State hires and pays contractors, recovers costs via property liens or civil lawsuits</i>	Grants	Grants & Loans <i>Note: Grant applicants may provide grants or loans to public entities or private developers</i>
<b>Eligible Applicants</b>	Independently owned and operated small businesses with petroleum UST(s) and fewer than 20 employees  Principal office and officers must be domiciled in California  Excludes businesses dominant in their field of operation	Independently owned and operated small businesses with petroleum UST(s) and fewer than 500 employees  Principal office and officers must be domiciled in California  Excludes businesses dominant in their field of operation	Current or past owners and operators of petroleum USTs  Excludes state and federal government agencies	Public or private parties addressing petroleum UST contamination – but not eligible for the USTCF  Excludes parties that caused or contributed to UST release (and their family or business affiliates)	Regional Water Quality Control Boards and Local Oversight Program (LOP) agencies  <i>Note: Nominated sites must be approved by the State Water Resources Control Board</i>	Public and private parties  Includes responsible parties, public agencies, public utilities, non-profit organizations, tribes, and mutual water companies	Public entities  Includes public agencies, public utilities, non-profit organizations, tribes, and mutual water companies  <i>Note: Grant applicants may provide grants or loans to public entities or private developers</i>
<b>Additional Criteria</b>	The facility must have legally been in business, retailing gasoline after January 1, 1999  The facility must have sold less than 900,000 gallons of gasoline annually for the two years prior to application	All tanks owned and operated by applicant are in compliance with State UST regulations	Claimants must be in compliance with applicable UST permitting requirements and regulatory cleanup orders  Claimants must have paid applicable UST storage fees	No financially responsible party has been identified that can pay cleanup costs  Must have legal site access	Responsible party cannot be identified or located; OR  Responsible party is unable or unwilling to comply with written cleanup order  <i>Note: Different procedures for sites requiring emergency response or prompt action</i>	Not restricted to sites with petroleum UST contamination, but contaminant sources must be anthropogenic/human-related  Responsible parties must lack financial resources  Regulatory agency must have issued a directive, if feasible	Not restricted to sites with petroleum UST contamination, and may address natural contaminant sources.
<b>Funding Amounts</b>	Up to \$70,000 per grant	Up to \$750,000 per loan	Up to \$1 Million per release  Approximately \$180 Million available annually	Up to \$1 Million per release  \$30 Million appropriated since State Fiscal Year 2008/2009	Up to \$1 Million per release  \$5 Million annual appropriation	No project limits  \$19.5 Million annual appropriation	Project limits not specified  \$800 Million available in total

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